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Title	"LANCING DEVICE WITH DECOUPLED LANCET"
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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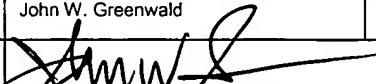
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